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## VMCH welcomes new CFO

VMCH is thrilled to welcome Chris Hilton as its new Chief Financial Officer (CFO) from January 2021.

Chris has extensive leadership experience across a range of sectors including property and health, spending a large part of his career as General Manager of Finance at both Lendlease and Allity Aged Care. He is also highly-skilled in all facets of aged funding and reporting, integration and sales; retirement governance requirements; leadership during growth and productivity improvement.

The father-of-three said he chose [VMCH](#) for its huge breadth of services and holistic approach to care.

“Aged care, retirement and disability are exciting sectors to be a part of and not without their challenges. The Royal Commission, varied public perceptions and continued changes in customer expectations mean that providing products and services aligned to a well-defined model of care are vital aspects of successful service delivery and support.”

Chris said he also looked forward to gaining a deeper understanding of the disability sector in his role with VMCH.

“Being able to work for an organisation that makes such a significant contribution to the community is what drives me. I thrive in an environment where I can build and be a part of strong and successful teams to achieve great things.”

VMCH CEO Sonya Smart described Chris’ appointment as a “great coup” for the organisation.

“Chris will no doubt be a huge asset to VMCH moving forward. His experience is extensive and on a personal level, Chris’ personable and compassionate nature will be a great cultural fit at VMCH.”

Sonya also thanked outgoing VMCH CFO John McKenna.

“John has made a huge contribution to our organisation over the past five years, steering us successfully through many financial challenges including the merge of Villa Maria and Catholic Homes and of course this global COVID-19 pandemic. I'd like to thank John for his dedication and incredible work ethic and wish him well in his future endeavours.”

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## About VMCH

Here at VMCH, our services are as diverse as the people we support.

Our values underpin the work we do. As a Catholic not for profit organisation, compassion, respect and inclusion aren't just words to us, they guide us in everything we do.

While we've been around for over a century, we're always moving forward. Always staying true to who we are by supporting people and families to live their best lives; providing a place to call home and spaces to learn and grow.

Our professional and compassionate teams are with you on your life journey; helping you with a wide range of support from early learning and therapy, specialist education, disability services, affordable homes, residential aged care, retirement living and at-home aged care.

